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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th/September, through Sunday, 11th/September there were 209 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ4, PY, PZ, S0, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

8Q, MALDIVES. Andre, IZ1MHY, will be active as 8Q7MD from the Alimatha

Resort, Felidhoo Atoll (AS-013), between October 2-12th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB, JT-65, SIM31, RTTY and possibly other Digital modes. QSL via 9A8ARS by the Bureau, LoTW, eQSL or direct to IZ1MHY.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Nick, VE3EY, will once again be active as 9Y4/VE3EY from Trinidad and Tobago between November 23-28th. This will be a (Field Day) suitcase operation on 160-10 meters using a K3 and KPA500 amp into two verticals. His activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Focus prior to the contest will be on Low Bands/WARC. QSL via VE3EY.

AFRICAN TOUR. By the time you read this, Herb, N4RG, is expected to be active from Namibia and/or Ascension Island between September 11-29th. His callsign for Namibia was not announced as of press time, but his Ascension Island callsign is ZD8RG. Activity will be limited do to his work duties and will take place during his spare-time on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

CE0X, SAN FELIX (Update/2017 DXpedition Declared False). The following (translated) appears on the Radio Club de Chile (CE3AA) Web page at:
<http://www.ce3aa.cl/component/content/article/11629-isla-san-felix-dxpediton>

"On September 6, 2016, Radio Club of Chile, represented by its President Dr. Galdino Besomi, Vice President and Don Jose Tijoux, have held a meeting with Admiral Don Arturo Undurraga Contra Chief of the First Naval Zone, whose outcome can inform the Chilean amateur radio community and interested foreigners in the expedition to Isla San Felix that has been advertised in various DX news sites and and led by Mr. Felipe Gutierrez, CE5WQO, for which would have been extended authorization of landing on the island showing off documents that accredits:

- 1) That the Navy of Chile considers that such documents are false.
- 2) The Navy has initiated legal action in this regard.

It is therefore evident that the advertised DXpediton is false and that besides the alleged widespread authorization by SUBTEL for this purpose and circulating in different media it would also be false."

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND (Update). Operators Mario/LU7VB, Alejandro/LU8YD and Alex/LU9VEA will be active as CE0Y/LU7VB, CE0Y/LU8YD and CE0Y/LU9VEA, respectively, from Easter Island (SA-001) between September 26-30th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters (possibly 160m) using SSB. Equipment will be a TS-480SAT w/500 watt amp, IC-7000 and FT-897 with 100 watts. They will have a variety of antennas. QSL CE0Y/LU9VEA via IK2DUW. QSL the other operators via their home callsigns. Logs may be posted to LoTW and ClubLog. Listen for details.

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Nobuaki, JA0JHQ, will be active as CE0Y/JA0JHQ from Otai Hotel on Easter Island (SA-001) between October 14-17th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (depending on conditions) using CW, possibly some SSB. Suggested activities is as follows:

October 14th - 30m CW (10111-10112 kHz) and 40m CW (7005-7015)

October 15-16th - 160/80/20/17/15/12/10m

Radio is a TS-480HZ into a Micro-vertical. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW (preferred). For more details and updates, see: <http://pandasan.jimdo.com/ce0y-ja0jhg>

COWS OVER THE WORLD (Update/Disappointment). Tom, KC0W, and his all-CW "Cows Over the World" DXpeditions have come to a halt at the moment. He reports on QRZ.com, September 10th: "My proposed 'Top 25 Most Wanted' DXpedition is not going to happen. Sorry for getting anyone's hopes up. Never trust anyone who claims to be 'military' and who also claims to have the authority to allow people to visit KHx land. I was hoodwinked by the promise of tinsel & shiny lights by a purveyor of lies & mis-truths.....It's now time to crawl under a rock here in Fiji until I start the T30COW DXpedition. I have been issued 3D2KOW for a 2017 Fiji DXpedition. Nothing new to report regarding permission to visit Tokelau for the ZK3COW DXpedition. If anyone is interested in DXing from Tokelau submit all of your paperwork for visitation approval 10+ months in advance due to new tourist regulations on ZK3 land."

As this was being written, we have not seen any spots from Tom on Fiji, so we are not sure if he will operate from there before he goes to Western Kiribati (T30). If he does, activity will be CW only on 160-6 meters using a K3 with a KPA500 amp (500 watts) into vertical antennas over salt water. He will be in all major CW contests. He updates his activities on his upcoming operations on QRZ.com. His updated tentative schedule is as follows:

Western Kiribati (T30COW):	September 24th-October 24th
Solomon Islands (H44COW):	October 25th-November 26th
Tokelau (ZK3)	: (still awaiting visitation approval)
Nauru	: (depends on Tokelau)
Fiji	: 3D2KOW (sometime in 2017)
Temotu Province (H40)	: ???
Bangladesh (S2)	: Exact dates unknown.
Nepal (9N)	: Exact dates unknown.
Bhutan (A5)	: Exact dates unknown.

QSL via KC0W direct only. A log search will be available on ClubLog. He does not use LoTW. See QRZ.com for more details and updates. ADDED NOTE: Don't be BLACKLISTED! Read details under YJ0COW on QRZ.com.

E703, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club Kakanj (E73EKK) and Cement factory Kakanj will activate the special event callsign, E703QLA, in what is called "Third Ecological Project in organization of Heidelberg Cement Group" between September 15th and November 15th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. All QSL cards will be sent via the E7 Bureau. All incoming QSLs (DIRECT and Bureau) are via the QSL Manager E71CQ. Please send IRC or 2 USDs with a SAE (Self Addressed Envelope) for direct QSL, if not, the QSL will be answered via the Bureau. An Award is available, see QRZ.com for details.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Kari/OH2BP, VÄINÖ/OH9GIT, Ewe/SM7BHM and Yuris/YL7A will be active as EA8DED from Tenerife Island (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September

24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OH2BP only direct. After the contest look for them on the WARC bands using CW, SSB and PSK31.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Frank, PH2M, will be active as EA8/homecall from Lazarote Island (AF-004) between September 25th and October 6th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB only. QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau.

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. Al, K7AR, will be active as FO/K7AR from Raivavae Island (OC-114), Austral Islands, between November 21-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, ClubLog or LoTW.

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Jean, F6BVV, is now active as FR/homecall from Reunion (AF-016) until September 23rd. Activity will be limited to his spare time because of his work, but look for him on 14045 and 21045 kHz. Listen for QSL info.

IOTA NEWS.....

AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via eQSL.

NA-122. Members of the Ham Radio Union of the Dominican Republic (UDRA) are happy to announce their next DXpedition will be to Beata Island between January 25th and February 1st, 2017. The callsign will be HI1UD. Activity will be on all bands all modes. This island has been inactive for 28 years. Operators mentioned are Alfredo/HI8K (Co-Leader), Tino/HI3CC (Co-Leader), Julio/AD4Z (CW Leader), Ismael/XE1AY, Prado/NK4DX, Franky/HI3TT (SSB Leader), Edwin/HI3K, Efrain/HI8EES, Elio/HI8EFS, Josemi/HI8C, Marcos/ HI3MRV, Mike/HI3MPC, Rod/HI3RWP, Rigo/HI8RD, Sergio/HI8AR, William/N2WB, and Miguel/HI7MC. QSL via W2CCW or via ClubLog's OQRS. For more details and updates, see:

<http://beatadxpedition2017.org>

<http://www.qrz.com/db/hilud>

<http://www.facebook.com/beatadxpedition2017>

<http://aprs.fi/#!mt=roadmap&z=11&call=a%2FHI1UD&timerange=3600&tail=3600>

OC-139. Grant, VK5GR, will be active as VK5GR/P from Kangaroo Island (OC-139) between October 10-16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK, MFSK, Feld Hellschreiber and SSTV. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

OC-228. Craig, VK5CE, will be active as VK5CE/P from Granite Island on Tuesday, September 13th, between 0400-0730z, on 20 meters SSB. The focus will be looking for North America stations between the 0400-0500z period, and hopefully the long path opening to Europe during 0400-0730z period. Also, he will be

on starting 2300z Sunday, September 18th, through 0300z Monday, September 19th, on 15 meters SSB (for the Japanese stations during their public holiday on Monday). For more details and updates, see: <http://oc228.blogspot.com.au>

JD1, OGASAWARA. Takeshi "Take", JA1UII, will once again be active as JD1BON from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between September 22nd and October 1st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Take states that he will participate in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via JA1UII, by the Bureau or direct to: Takeshi Ono, 3-33-11 Hachiouji, Cyuo-ku Saitama-City, Saitama 338-0006 JAPAN (w/SASE, 2 USDs or 1 IRC[New]). He states, "Your card is not required. All of the cards are sent to the person from Bureau. But, if you are not a member of the Bureau, please request by SASE."

K2, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Members of the Hamilton County ARC will be operating K2H between September 23rd and October 3rd, with their primary operation being on Saturday, September 24th, from the Apple Fest in Speculator NY. Activity will be on CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. See Web site for frequencies and other details. Additional operational periods and other quick updates may also be posted on the Northern New York Amateur Radio Association Facebook page at: <http://facebook.com/NNYARAhams>

K4, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Observances of National POW MIA Recognition Day are held across the USA on the third Friday in September each year. This year it will be on September 16th. The day was established to honor our prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action. K4MIA will be in operation between September 9-18th, to recognize our POWs and MIAs. Operation on/or around 21300, 18150, 14265 and 7185 kHz with some CW in the general portion of the band. There will be several sister stations: K4MIA/1 Don in VT, K4MIA/5 Steve (Museum Of The American GI) and John in TX, K4MIA/7 Lee in UT, and K4MIA/8 Metro in OH. For a QSL (card can be seen on QRZ) please send your QSL and SASE to address on QRZ.com. Working any of the K4MIA stations, you will receive the SAME QSL card. Because of volume of requests, you MUST send SASE to get a returned QSL. Mike, K4MIA, states, "Please take time to remember our POW's and MIA's as well as their families. I would like to include KIA's and all veterans (past and present) that have given so much for this country."

PJ4, BONAIRE. Members of the "PJ4 Contest Club" will once again be active as PJ4X from Kralendijk, Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are John/K1QX, Noah/K2NG, Ray/K9RS, Davud/NA2AA, Hans/PJ4LS, Martin/W1MD and John/W2ID. Look for operators to be active before and after the contest signing PJ4/homecall. QSL PJ4X via LoTW or direct to W1MD.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Scott/W4PA, Steve/PJ4DX, Peter/PJ4NX and possibly others will be active as PJ4Q from Kralendijk, Bonaire Island (SA-006) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators will be on the island between October 24th and November 1st, except PJ4DX and PJ4NX. Outside of the contest, operators will be signing

PJ4/homecall and will be active on 160-10 meters with a focus on 160/30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL PJ4Q via W4PA. QSL all others via their home callsign.

Also, operators Scott/W4PA, Norman/WF7T, Kirk/K4RO and Peter/PJ4NX will be active as PJ4Q from Kralendijk, Bonaire Island (SA-006) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators will be on the island between November 21-30th, except PJ4NX. Outside of the contest, operators will be signing PJ4/homecall and will be active on 160-10 meters with a focus on 160/30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. PJ4/WF7T will be active on the Digital modes on all bands prior to contest. QSL PJ4Q via W4PA. QSL all others via their home callsign.

PJ6, SABA ISLAND (Also FJ/TO2). Bill, K2HVN, will be active as PJ6/K2HVN (unless he receives his long awaited callsign PJ6M) from Saba Island (NA-145) between November 11-18th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mainly CW, but some SSB. He will try to spot himself on DX Summit. After his PJ6 operation, he will be active as TO2EE from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA 0377) between November 18-25th. See QRZ.com for QSL information. Both operations he will be running 100 watts into a Buddipole vertical.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 12-18th).....

Sep/12th AN	Sep/15th AN	Sep/17th AN
Sep/13th AN	Sep/16th AN	Sep/18th AN
Sep/14th AN		

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEBSITE :

The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPp, QRPe and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software predictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

Also, check out the VOACAP predication Web page at:
<http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF...(September 9th)

4C15C via XE3N	EH6SDC via EA1AUM	OZ/DJ3XD via DJ3XD
5B4AIF via EB7DX (d)	EH7SDC via EA1AUM	PH100SPL via PA3CAL
A31YM via EA5GL (d)	EH8SDC via EA1AUM	R280A via R9AE
A4100 via A61BK (d)	EH9SDC via EA1AUM	R333S via RA4HL
A65DC via IZ8CLM & (L)	EM25M via UX2MF	RA/EA5KA via EA5KA
AH0J via JA1NVF	FK8CE via NI5DX (d)	SY9BUD via SY9BUD (d)
C81AK via WB6OJB (d)	II5VV via IZ5JLW	TM44CCR via F6KJS
DF50MUC via DL8FA	IY9GM via IW3RUA (d/L)	TM87OSG via F4HRA
EH1SDC via EA1AUM	LZ/US0VA via US0VA	W3B via W3LIF
EH2SDC via EA1AUM	LZ304MED via LZ1KCP	ZA/OH1MA via OH1MA (L)
EH3SDC via EA1AUM	MS0UKI via M0OXO	ZG2TT via M0URX (O)
EH4SDC via EA1AUM	OA7/DL1CW via DL1CW	
EH5SDC via EA1AUM	OV3T via OZ4XL	

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau

(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only

** PLEASE NOTE: No QSL-Information next week **

NO LONGER QSL MANAGER. Irv, K3IRV, informs that he is no longer the QSL Manager of NE3H. All cards should be sent to him (NE3H).

VK0EK QSOS FOUNDED (Log Reconciliation). KY6R reports: As promised, once we received the laptops back from Heard Island, we would reconcile all laptops with the master N1MM+ log, and more than 100 QSO's have been recovered. We hope you were the lucky one - and if you have any questions - please contact our QSL Manager, Tim, M0URX:

<https://vk0ek.org/qs1/>

We would like to thank Pete, W6OP, and Mike, KJ4Z for their most excellent efforts finding and recovering these QSO's. The majority were recovered from a failed laptop that did not sync with the N1MM+ Master log.

ADDED NOTE (VK0EK Featured on Cover of October 2016 QST!): Rich, KY6R, also reports, "We are so very proud and thankful for this cover and very well written article by Leader Bob, KK6EK. Please consider voting for it for the October 2016 QST Cover Award:

<http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> "

WA2NYC via LoTW or see QRZ.com. Special event station to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center in New York City.

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: E51DWC (OC-013), HH2AA, MS0UKI (EU-108), VK0EK and ZS2EZ

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: A52LSS, CO8LY, FT4JA, LU1ZI, RT9K/0 (AS-203), V85TL, VR2USJ and ZS1RBN (AF-064)

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!!

SILENT KEY. OPDX was informed that Albert, FO5JR, became a Silent Key (SK). He was F2DA, CN8MQ, FA2DA (1957-1962), FG7AH (1972-1977), FO8JR (1982-1987) and FO5JR. He was born in 1928 and had gotten the medal of Merit from the Clipperton DX Club in 2014. OPDX and its readers would like to send out

our sympathy to the family and friends of FO5JR.

SPECIAL EVENT (Highway to a DX Party!). The Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club of San Bernardino, California, is once again hosting (probably one of the most fun special event activities) the 17th annual "Route 66 On The Air" special event between September 10-18th. The purpose of this event is to offer amateur radio operators a fun way to "Relive the Ride" of their own memories of Route 66, and to celebrate the highway's 85th anniversary. The U.S. Highway 66 established in 1926, was the first major improved highway to link the west coast with the nations heartland. Through stories, songs, and TV shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America. Look for the following 21 stations (two are rovers) operating in or around the major cities along the old "Route 66" from Santa Monica, California, to Chicago, Illinois:

Stations	City	Clubs/Individuals
W6A	Santa Monica, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6B	Los Angeles, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6C	San Bernardino, CA	Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club
W6D	Victorville, CA	Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club
W6E	Barstow, CA	Barstow Amateur Radio Club
W6F	Kingman, AZ	Mojave Amateur Radio Club
W6G	Flagstaff, AZ	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6H	Albuquerque, NM	Albuquerque DX Association
W6I	Amarillo, TX	Chapter 141, QCWA
W6J	Elk City, OK	Marvin Gorden, KC9VF
W6K	Oklahoma City, OK	W6K Oklahoma City
W6L	Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Amateur Radio Club
W6M	Riverton, KS	Jim Cochran, K0RH
W6N	Joplin, MO	Joplin Amateur Radio Club
W6O	Lebanon, MO	Lebanon Amateur Radio Club
W6P	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis Amateur Radio Club
W6Q	Chicago, IL	Six Meter Club of Chicago
W6R	Springfield, MO	Southwest Missouri Amateur RC
W6U	Wilmington, IL	Illinois Radio League

ROVER STATIONS

W6S	ROVER 1	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6T	ROVER 2	Northern Arizona DX Association

Special event stations are expected to be found in the vicinity of the following frequencies. (Look for digital modes in the standard band segments for such mode) All frequencies +/- QRM:

CW - 3533, 7033, 10110, 14033, 18080, 21033, 24900, 28033 and 50033 kHz

SSB - 3866, 7266, 14266, 18164, 21366, 24966, 28466 and 50166 kHz

Digi - 3580, 7070, 10140, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz

R66 MOBILE Operations - Any amateurs operating while actually driving along Route 66 during the special event period are encouraged to take part in "Route 66 On The Air", by using the designation "mobile 66" for SSB or "/m66" for CW after their callsigns. All other amateur radio operators are welcome to contact these mobile operators.

REPEATERS - Some of the participating clubs will also be operating this

event from their local VHF/UHF repeaters. Check the ARRL repeater guide for possible repeater frequencies, if your in the local area.

Each participating club will issue their own QSL card commemorating this event. QSL information is available on the Web at:

http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=27

For more details about the event and the certificate that is available, please visit the "Route 66 OTA Site" at:

http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=15

http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=23

T8, PALAU. Takeo, JR1GSE, will be active as T8TH from VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on Koror Islands (OC-009) between October 28-31st. Activity will be on various HF bands and modes. He also plans to be an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th). QSL via his home callsign. For more details about the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room), see: <http://www.palau-radio.com>

TO5, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON (Update/Reminder). Operators Nicolas/F1RAF, Freddy/F4HEC, Lee/F5MUX and Mic/FK8IK will be active TO5FP from Ile Aux Marins, Saint Pierre and Miquelon Islands (NA-032) between September 11-20th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL only via ClubLog's QQRS or LoTW. Do not send QSL via Bureau. To check QSO(s) [real time log]: <http://www.a6dx.com/QSO/to5fp>

Check QSO(s) on ClubLog (updated once a day):

<http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=TO5FP>

V3, BELIZE. Randy, K5TTE, will be active as V31TT from Belize between October 9-16th. Activity will be holiday style in the late afternoons on 40 and 20 meters using an Elecraft K1 into end-fed wire. Listen for QSL info.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operators Jean/VE2VIA and Jean-Pierre/VA2SG will be active as VE2SSS from Zone 2 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Op/High-Power entry. QSL is direct via VE2TLH. For more details and updates, see:

<http://nordx.net/index.php/les-dxpeditions/vb2t-cq-ww-ssb-2016-cq-zone-2-2016>

W4DXCC CONVENTION (Press Release dated September 6th/Reminder). The W4DXCC DX and Contest Convention is just around the corner. Located at the Main-Stay Suites in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, September 23-24th, 2016. We are 15 days away from the convention but it is not too late for you to attend this year. The convention is within driving distance from 2/3rds of the country. Load up your ham friends and come down for the convention. There is plenty of hotel rooms at the SEDCO rate.

We have a day long Ham Radio Bootcamp to Elmer New hams has caused quite a stir. We have had an overwhelming response to the Bootcamp. Finally, an Elmering session for the new ham is available to all W4DXCC attendees included in the convention registration fee. Please pass the word to the New hams in your area about the Bootcamp, it's a 'Must See' event.

We have three QSL card checkers who can check all bands, bring your

QSL cards! CWOPs sponsored CW Contest; FCC License Testing and Ham Shack with Latest Gear.

A full range of shopping for the family is located nearby along with water parks, go cart tracks and Dollywood for the kids. Bring the family for a wonderful weekend full of Fun.

Check out the WEB site for more details, filling fast, book early at:
<http://www.W4DXCC.com>

XW, LAOS. Bruce, 3W3B (HS0ZCY/XU7ADF/XW1B/AA4XR), who lives in Da Nang, will once again be active as XW4XR from Vientiane between September 19-30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, RTTY and JT65. QSL via E21EIC and LoTW.

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active from here during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He will again use his smaller callsign YN5Z for the contest instead of his usual YN5ZO callsign. He usually operates "Field Day Style" using a 5 band Spiderbeam and a 160-40m vertical. The radio is a TS-590 driving a KPA-500 amp. QSL via LoTW and K7ZO, direct or by the Bureau. Very little operation is expected outside the contest period (a couple of days before the contest -- none after).

ZA, ALBANIA. Members of the True DXing Group are now active as ZA/ZA1P from Karpen until September 18th. Operators mentioned are Janusz/SP9FIH, Bogdan/SP2FUD, Leszek/SP6CIK, Franek/SP6JZL, Jarek/SP6OJK and Jurek/SP9TCE. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The QSL route posted on their Web page states, "QSL route is via home callsign of the operator. We ask you to hand write following sentence on QSL cards or with PayPal payment: 'I did not use remote during our QSOs'.." For more details and updates, see: <http://za.dxpedititions.org>



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